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FOR YOUR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S PRESS BRIEFING AUGUST 2O, 1974:

QUOTE:

ON SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER KHADDAM'S VISIT, I THOUGHT I WOULD GIVE YOU A FEW OF THE DETAILS.
HE'LL ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON LATE TOMORROW. AND HE WILL MEET WITH THE SECRETARY AND HAVE A WORKING LUNCH ON THURSDAY, THE 22ND. HE WILL MEET AGAIN WITH THE SECRETARY ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON. THAT'S THE 23RD. AND THE SECRETARY WILL OFFER A DINNER FOR THE FOREIGN MINISTER THAT EVENING. AND THE FOREIGN MINISTER IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE ON THE 24TH. I DON'T HAVE ANY DETAIL ON THE DEPARTURE.

Q. IS THE DINNER GOING TO BE ON THE SCALE OF THE FAHMY DINNER?

A. I DO NOT HAVE THE DETAILS ON THAT YET.

Q. ANOTHER SUBJECT. HAVE WE HEARD FROM THE ISRAELIS WHETHER THE PRIME MINISTER HAS ACCEPTED THE KISSINGER IN-VITATION TO COME IN EARLY SEPTEMBER?

A. NO, THE DATES HAVE NOT YET BEEN WORKED OUT. AND AS SOON AS THEY ARE WE WILL LET YOU KNOW.

Q. BOB, WE HAVE A REPORT FROM ISRAEL THIS MORNING CON-TAINING A SUGGESTION THAT PART OF THE U.S. SIXTH FLEET MIGHT BE BASED IN ISRAEL. HAS ANY CONSIDERATION BEEN GIVEN TO THAT?
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A. THIS QUESTION HASN'T ARISEN, AND I DON'T REALLY THINK IT WILL ARISE. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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